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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Nicholas Dominic WELLS, et al. :  
Serial No.: Group Art Unit:  
Filed: July 27, 1999 : Examiner:  
For: AUDIO COMPRESSION

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute the attached pages of claims for the claims as filed.

Claim 9, line 1, please change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--.

Claim 11, line 1, please change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--.

Claim 18, line 1, please change "any one of claims 1 to 10" to --claim 1--.